

REMARKS

In the Office Action the Examiner required restriction of the claims to a single SEQ ID NO. from SEQ ID NOs: 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, and 9. In response to the Examiner's restriction requirement, Applicants elect, *with traverse*, SEQ ID NO:2. Claims 20-27 and 37-43 read on the elected sequence.

Applicants make this election with traverse, as the M.P.E.P. states that a "reasonable" number of sequences can be examined in one application, e.g., up to 10 sequences. The criteria for a proper restriction requirement, according to MPEP § 803, is that the examiner must establish that the inventions are independent or distinct as claimed and that there is a serious burden on the examiner to examine the entire application. Since it is believed that the search and examination of up to 10 sequences is not unduly burdensome upon the examiner, restriction is not proper and should be withdrawn.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned by telephone if it is felt that a telephone interview would advance the prosecution of the present application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-0741. Should no proper payment be enclosed, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account

No. 19-0741. If any extensions of time are needed for timely acceptance of papers submitted herewith, Applicant hereby petitions for such extension under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 and authorizes payment of any such extensions fees to Deposit Account No. 19-0741.

Respectfully submitted,

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